

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
LaBonte et al. §  
  
Serial No.: 10/518,620 § Group Art Unit: 3726  
  
Confirmation No.: 9031 §  
  
Filed: January 20, 2006 § Examiner: Omgba, Essama  
  
For: METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING  
CONTINUOUS SUCKER  
ROD §

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 5, 2009**

In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2009, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 5, 2009, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for the reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0640/WCG for any deficiency of fees and credit any overpayment required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet. **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.